

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Service Rules for the 698-746, 747-762)	WT Docket No. 06-150
and 777-792 MHz Bands)	
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Revision of the Commission's Rules to)	CC Docket No. 94-102
Ensure)	
Compatibility with Enhanced 911)	
Emergency)	
Calling Systems)	WT Docket No. 01-309
)	
Section 68.4(a) of the Commission's)	
Rules)	WT Docket No. 03-264
Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible)	
Telephones)	
)	
Biennial Regulatory Review –)	
Amendment of Parts 1, 22, 24, 27, and)	WT Docket No. 06-169
90 to Streamline and Harmonize)	
Various Rules Affecting Wireless Radio)	
Services)	
)	
Former Nextel)	PS Docket No. 06-229
Communications, Inc. Upper)	
700 MHz Guard Band Licenses)	
and Revisions to Part 27 of the)	
Commission's Rules)	WT Docket No. 96-86
)	
Implementing a Nationwide,)	
Broadband, Interoperable)	
Public Safety Network in the)	
700 MHz Band)	
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Development of Operational, Technical)	
and Spectrum Requirements for)	
Meeting Federal, State and Local Public)	
Safety Communications Requirements)	
Through the Year 2010)	

COMMENTS OF NASSAU COUNTY (NY) FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES

Nassau County Fire & Rescue Services hereby submits these reply comments in response to the Commission's *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in the above-captioned proceedings.

It has become apparent to **Nassau County Fire & Rescue Services** that the Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making for the 700 MHz frequency band will take control and choice away from local agencies and allow the Federal Government to dictate what type of data communications system we implement. We will be making use of automated vehicle locator systems, fire and rescue alarm dispatch with GIS support, integrated building security/fire response locator systems and other high tech applications for public safety fire and rescue command, control and communications. We support seventy-one independent fire and rescue agencies within the County as well as 5 independent volunteer EMS agencies. With all of these users having different communications requirements and with technology moving at such a rapid pace, it would be detrimental to **Nassau County Fire & Rescue Services** if we were not afforded various choices of data network implementations. We agree that having a nationwide data network would be advantageous for interoperability, however, all of the unknowns (implementation timing for our area, cost to the user groups, network support required for public safety agencies, etc), we feel that allowing privately owned wideband and broadband data networks is of utmost importance for us. We feel that allowing

privately owned networks and implementing a nationwide system will provide the most tangible benefits to our users today and for the foreseeable future.

Respectfully submitted,

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